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**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: G. Gundling

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Examiner: A. Spiegler

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

## **REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

With regard to the application identified above, Applicant hereby petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the period for response to the Office Action mailed on September 5, 2001, for three months from December 15, 2001 to March 5, 2002. Please charge Deposit Account No. 01-0025 in the amount of \$920.00 for the associated extension fee. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited, respectively, to the above numbered deposit account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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